IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Kjell OLMARKER et al.

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For: USE OF CERTAIN DRUGS FOR TREATING NERVE ROOT INJURY

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5, with the following paragraph:

--This application is a Continuation of International Application No.

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REMARKS

The present Amendment provides information specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2) within four months at the January 17, 2001 filing date of the present Application.

The examination and allowance of the Application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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